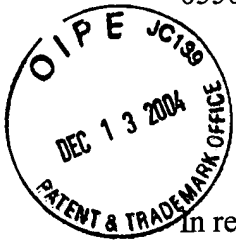


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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Cheukfan Lee
TOMOYUKI ARAKI ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2622
Application No.: 09/881,703)	
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APPARATUS	:	December 10, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2004, to and including December 11, 2004. A check in the amount of \$120.00 in payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

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